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To the best of Applicants' knowledge, a first Office Action has not yet been mailed.

It is respectfully requested that the enclosed information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the PTO-1449 form be returned indicating that the listed documents have been considered and made of record in this application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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			APPLICANT <b>HIROSHI SATOMI ET AL.</b>				
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		6,006,225	12/21/99	Bowman et al.	707	5	
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